THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ): (a) to (c) It is true that due to rising consumption of chocolate, toffee and soft drinks there is an increase in the incidence of dental diseases. The Government have initiated a Pilot Project on National Oral Health Care Programme in 5 States of Delhi, Punjab, Maharashtra, Kerala and North Eastern States. The main objective of this programme is to develop a low cost, sustainable and accessible preventive programme. The main component of this programme is the oral health education of the Community *i.e.* to generate awareness among the public about the good oral hygiene and to restrict sticky food items and follow healthy practices.

Medical check-up camps in Jhuggi clusters

1918. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government run any medical check-up camps regularly in Jhuggi clusters of all metropolitan cities;

(b) if so, whether there have been many cases reported of people suffering from various ailments in jhuggis of Delhi alone;

(c) whether it is a fact that the health conditions of people living in jhuggi clusters have deteriorated; and

(d) the action Government have taken improve the health conditions of people living in the jhuggi clusters?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ): (a) to (d) The data regarding medical check-up camps being undertaken in Jhuggi clusters of all metropolitan cities in the country is not centrally maintained. It is reported by New Delhi Municipal Corporation (NDMC) that regular health check-up camps are being organized in the J.J. Clusters in New Delhi. During the check-up camps, some of the patients are reported to be suffering from Anemia, mal-nutrition, and common cough and cold. The health condition of the people living in Jhuggi clusters has improved. For treatment, Mobile Dispensaries are dispatched to J.J. clusters regularly.